Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew (*Secrteary to Government*) : There were not detailed estimates or plans prepared.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Tattamangalam)*: Did Dr. Benchamen inspect the borders of Cochin State near Coimbatore?

Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew *(Secretary to Government)*: He visited many places and found this to be the best.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Tattamangalam)*: Was he taken to Chittur at all?

Mr. M. K. Raja *(Mulakunnathukavu)*: Are we to take it that the site now selected is the best available in Cochin State according to Dr. Benchamen's opinion?

Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew (*Secretary to Government*): He went to different places and this place was recommended by him.

Rao Sahib K. Ayyappan *(Ezhuvas-Kanayannur)*: Was he taken to Chittur and Nemmara where the climate is more dry?

Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew (*Secretary to Government*): I want notice to know whether he actually went to those places.

Mr. M. K. Raja *(Mulakunnathukavu)*: Can you make available to this House a copy of the recommendations made by Dr. Benchamen in regard to this matter?

Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew *(Secretary to Government)*: Yes.

AYURVEDIC HOSPITALS

334. Mr. Paramel Ipe Ipe *(Kunnamkulam)*: Will Government be please to state.—

(*a*) how many Ayurvedic Hospitals have been started this year;

(*b*) the villages in which they are started;

(*c*) the population of each of these villages;

(*d*) considering on the population basis, whether it is not a fact that Kunnamkulam and Pazhanji are most deserving centres for starting Ayurvedic Hospitals;

(*e*) whether there were any requests from Kunnamkulam and Pazhanji for starting Ayurvedic Hospitals;

(*f*) if so, when and what replies were given?

Rao Sahib C.J.Mathew *(Secretary to Government)*:

(*a*) No Ayurvedic Hospitals have been started this year. But the Government Ayurveda Vaidyasala at Pallippuram has been raised into a minor hospital with accommodation for 4 in-patients.

(*b*) Pallipuram village in Cochin Kanayannur Taluk.

(*c*) The population of Pallippuram vallage as per the Census report of 1941 is below 16,500.

(*d*) Kunnamkulam and Pazhanji are thickly populated centres. There is provision for 5 new Vaidyasalas in the Ayurveda budget of 1122. The claimes of Kunnamkulam and Pazhanji will be considered when these institutions are started.

(*e*) Yes.

(*f*) There were three requests.

1. A petition, dated 15th October 1945 from the General Secretary, Town Improvement Committee, Kunnamkulam. The petitioner was informed that the request for any Ayurvedic Hospital at Kunnamkulam was receiving the attention of the Government.

2. A resolution passed at a public meeting of the Pazanji Town Improvement Association held on 2nd February 1946. It was ordered that there was no scope for an Ayurvedic Hospital at Pazhanji if one was started at Kunnamkulam.

3. A petition, dated 13th Meenam 1121 from Panakkal Iyyathu Mathew and others of Kunnamkulam. The petitioners were told that their request for an Ayurvedic Hospital at Kunnamkulam was engaging the attention of the Government.

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335. മിസ്റ്റർ എം. ഐ. പോൾ: താഴെ പറയുന്ന ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്കു ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട ഗവണ്മെണ്ടു സദയം മറുപടി പറയുമോ.—

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(ബി) ഇപ്പോഴത്തെ ശമ്പളത്തിന് ഏതെല്ലാം;

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